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H. R. 10554

[Report No. 1056]

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Beck introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia and ordered to be printed

APRIL 3, 1930

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed

A BILL

To establish a National Lincoln Museum and Veterans' Headquarters in the building known as Ford's Theater.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That the Director of Public Buildings and Public Parks
- 4 of the National Capital is authorized and directed to make
- 5 such alterations and repairs to the building known as Ford's
- 6 Theater as may be necessary to permit its use for the
- 7 following purposes:
- 8 (1) As a museum and library for Lincoln relics and
- 9 other articles pertaining to the Civil War of national and
- 10 patriotic interest; and the director is authorized, in his dis-

- 1 cretion to accept on behalf of the United States articles
- 2 which may be offered as additional to the museum and
- 3 library.
- 4 (2) As a permanent repository for the Oldroyd col-
- 5 lection of Lincoln relics now owned by the United States.
- 6 (3) To provide suitable rooms, under rules and regu-
- 7 lations prescribed by the director, for the official use of the
- 8 Military Order of the Loyal Legion, the Grand Army of the
- 9 Republic, the Sons of Veterans, and such other societies
- 10 as especially commemorate the Federal participation in the
- 11 Civil War.
- 12 Sec. 2. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated
- 13 the sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be neces-
- 14 sary, to cover the cost of such alterations and repairs, includ-
- 15 ing preparation of necessary plans and specifications, and
- 16 the cost of personal services in conjunction therewith.
- SEC. 3. Responsibility for the care, maintenance, and
- 18 protection of such building is hereby transferred from the
- 19 Secretary of War to the Director of Public Buildings and
- 20 Public Parks of the National Capital, and, upon completion
- 21 of the alterations and repairs authorized to be made by this
- 22 Act, such building shall be known as the National Lincoln
- 23 Museum and Veterans' Headquarters, and shall, together
- 24 with all exhibits and other articles housed therein, be under

- 1 the jurisdiction of the said director. There are authorized to
- 2 be appropriated annually such amounts, to be expended by
- 3 said director, as may be necessary for the proper care, main-
- 4 tenance, and protection of such museum and veterans'
- 5 headquarters.

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